



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 8
999 18TH STREET - SUITE 300
DENVER, CO 80202-2466
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DOCKET NO.: CWA-08-2004-0070

IN THE MATTER OF:

SIoux VALLEY COOPERATIVE

Respondent

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FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.18, of EPA's Consolidated Rules of Practice, the Consent Agreement resolving these matters is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Final Order. The Respondents are hereby **ORDERED** to comply with all of the terms of the Consent Agreement, effective immediately upon receipt by Respondents of this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

September 24, 2004

DATE

SIGNED

Alfred C. Smith

Regional Judicial Officer



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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION VIII

In the Matter of:)	
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Sioux Valley Cooperative)	EXPEDITED CONSENT AGREEMENT
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Respondent.)	DOCKET NO: CWA-08-2004-0070

Complainant, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, and Respondent, Sioux Valley Cooperative, by their undersigned representatives, hereby settle the civil cause of action arising out of violations of the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) Plan regulations found during an inspections on September 18 and 19, 2001, and agree as follows:

The Clean Water Act (the Act), as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6), authorizes the Administrator of EPA to assess administrative penalties against any person who violates the oil pollution prevention (SPCC) regulations, promulgated at 40 CFR Part 112 under Section 311(j) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(j). This authority has been properly delegated to the undersigned EPA official.

Respondent owns and/or operates a filling station, garage, and wholesale lube oil facility located at 220 10th Street NW, Watertown, South Dakota, and a bulk fuel distributorship located on Highway 212, Codington County, South Dakota.

Respondent admits its facilities are subject to the SPCC regulations.

Respondent has corrected the items cited on the attached List of SPCC Violations.

Respondent admits that EPA has jurisdiction in this proceeding.

Respondent waives its right to a hearing before any civil tribunal, to contest any issue of law or fact set forth in this agreement.

This agreement, upon incorporation into a final order, applies to and is binding upon EPA and upon Respondent and Respondent's heirs, successors and assigns. Any change in ownership or corporate status of Respondent, including but not limited to any transfer of assets or real or personal property, shall not alter Respondent's responsibilities under this agreement.

This Agreement contains all terms of the settlement agreed to by the parties.

Respondent consents and agrees to the assessment of a civil penalty of \$3,600.00, which shall be paid by sending, via certified mail, a cashier's or certified check for that amount, payable to "Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund" along with a signed copy of this agreement, to:

Jane Nakad
Technical Enforcement Program (8ENF-T)
USEPA Region 8
999 18th Street, Suite 300
Denver, CO 80202-2466

Respondent further agrees and consents that if Respondent fails to pay the penalty amount as required by this agreement once incorporated into the final order, or fails to make the

corrective measures to obtain compliance as represented, this agreement is null and void, and EPA may pursue any applicable enforcement options.

The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that he/she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions for this agreement and to bind Respondent to the terms and conditions of this agreement.

The parties agree to submit this Consent Agreement to the Regional Judicial Officer, with a request that it be incorporated into a final consent order.

Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys fees in connection with this matter.

This Consent Agreement, upon incorporation into a final consent order by the Regional Judicial Officer and full satisfaction by the parties, shall be a complete and full civil settlement of the specific violations described in this agreement.

**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION VIII,
Office of Enforcement Compliance and Environmental Justice, Complainant.**

By : **SIGNED**
Elisabeth Evans, Director
Technical Enforcement Program

Sioux Valley Cooperative, Respondent.

By: **SIGNED** Name: **Gary French**

Title: **General Manager**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the original of the attached **EXPEDITED CONSENT AGREEMENT/FINAL ORDER** in the matter of **SIOUX VALLEY COOPERATIVE, DOCKET NO.: CWA-08-2004-0070** was filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk on September 24, 2004.

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the document was delivered to Michael Risner, Enforcement Attorney, U.S. EPA - Region 8, 999 18th Street - Suite 300, CO 80202-2466. True and correct copies of the aforementioned document was placed in the United States mail certified/return receipt on September 24, 2004, to:

Mr. Gary French, General Manager
Sioux Valley Cooperative
220 10th Street NW
Watertown, SD 57201

and

Commander
Finance Center (OGR)
U.S. Coast Guard
1430 A Kristina Way
Chesapeake, VA 23326

September 24, 2004

SIGNED_____

Tina Artemis
Regional Hearing Clerk

**THIS DOCUMENT WAS FILED IN THE REGIONAL HEARING CLERK'S OFFICE
ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2004.**